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**In re application of:** Van Winkle *et al.*

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- ☒ Submitted herewith  
☒ Amendment and Response accompanying Request for Continued Examination (8 pages)  
☒ Exhibit I (Knight *et al.*, 1997; 12 pages)  
☒ Exhibit II (Gao *et al.*, 2004; 11 pages)

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